

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA**

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MIGRATION OF LABOUR
Annayyagari Shri Sai Prathap

Will the Minister of AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

- (a): whether a large scale labour is migrating from Andhra Pradesh to other States due to inadequate agro based industries; and
- (b): if so, the proposals to establish industries in Andhra Pradesh to check the migration of labour?

Answer

MINISTER OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES & AGRO AND RURAL INDUSTRIES (SHRI MAHABIR PRASAD)

(a)&(b): Migration of workers from rural areas to cities and from one State to another does take place due to various reasons. The Government has been implementing two credit-linked subsidy schemes, viz.,

(i) Rural Employment Generation Programme and

(ii) Pradhan Mantri Rojgar Yojana (PMRY) for generation of additional employment opportunities in the country, including Andhra Pradesh. One of the main objectives of both these programmes is to facilitate generation of additional employment in the local (rural or urban) areas of such State. The REGP is implemented through the Khadi and Village Industries Commission (KVIC) to assist eligible applicants in setting up village industries in the rural areas and small towns with population up to 20,000 and the PMRY through the Governments of State/Union Territories, in both rural and urban areas, for providing self-employment opportunities to educated unemployed youth.

In Andhra Pradesh, during 2002-03 to 2004-05, 14858 projects have been set up generating an estimated 132959 employment opportunities under REGP. Similarly, under PMRY, 47321 educated unemployed youths have been assisted, generating an estimated 70986 self-employment opportunities during the same period.